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From the Private Secretary

16 December 1983

Dear Peter,

Call by King Hussein of Jordan

King Hussein called on the Prime Minister this afternoon. I enclose a record of the conversation.

I also enclose a copy of President Reagan's letter of 11 December to the King which the latter gave to the Prime Minister during the course of the conversation. Would you please ensure that this letter is not copied further except where this is operationally essential. It was handed over in confidence and the fact that King Hussein has made it available to us should not become known more widely.

You will see from the record that the Prime Minister has undertaken to send a message to President Reagan about King Hussein's call and the situation in the Middle East. I should be grateful if you could let me have a suitable draft at the latest by close of play on Monday 19 December.

I am copying this letter and enclosure to Richard Mottram (Ministry of Defence).

Yours ever

John Gales.

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